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PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Pierre RIPOCHE, et al.

Appln. No. 09/519,847

Group Art Unit: 1731

Confirmation No.: Not Assigned

Examiner: J. HOFFMAN

Filed: March 06, 2000

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING AN OPTICAL FIBER PREFORM INCLUDING  
OUTSIDE DEPOSITION OF SILICA, POSSIBLY DOPED SILICA

REQUEST FORMAL INTERVIEW

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Prior to issuance of the next Office Action, the undersigned respectfully requests the Examiner to grant a formal Interview to the undersigned attorney below. Please contact the undersigned at (202) 663-7482 to arrange for such an interview. In the event that any fees are due with respect to this Request, the undersigned authorizes such fees to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

**BOX RCE**  
Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provides for continued examination of an utility or  
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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First Named Inventor	Pierre RIPOCHE
Group Art Unit	1731
Examiner Name	J. HOFFMAN
Matter Number	Q58134
Title	METHOD OF FABRICATING AN OPTICAL FIBER PREFORM INCLUDING OUTSIDE DEPOSITION OF SILICA, POSSIBLY DOPED SILICA

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
previously filed on October 11, 2001
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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**2. MISCELLANEOUS**


- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a  
period of \_\_\_\_\_ months
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. FEES**

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or  
credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to  
charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136  
which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate  
copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

**SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY**

Name Ellen R. Smith Registration No. 43,042

Signature  Date October 26, 2001